

BEFORE THE
POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20268-0001

MODIFICATION OF MAIL CLASSIFICATION
SCHEDULE FOR GLOBAL EXPRESS
GUARANTEED, EXPRESS MAIL INTERNATIONAL,
AND OUTBOUND PRIORITY MAIL
INTERNATIONAL

Docket No. MC2012-9

NOTICE OF MINOR CLASSIFICATION CHANGES
(February 10, 2012)

Pursuant to 39 C.F.R. §§ 3020.90 and 3020.91, the United States Postal Service (Postal Service) hereby gives notice of minor changes to the Mail Classification Schedule (MCS) concerning the following competitive mail services: Global Express Guaranteed (GXG), Express Mail International (EMI), and Outbound Priority Mail International (PMI).

First, the Postal Service intends to add the phrase “other approved software” to the “Commercial Base” price category description for GXG, EMI, and PMI. The Commission was notified of the addition of a “Commercial Base” price category for each of the three mail services in Docket No. CP2012-2. The classification language filed in Docket No. CP2012-2 provides customers the ability to “prepare and pay for [GXG, EMI, and PMI] shipments via permit imprint when used in conjunction with Postal Service-supplied software” The change is designed to provide customers the option of using either Postal Service-supplied or Postal Service-approved software to prepare and pay for “Commercial Base” shipments for GXG, EMI, and PMI. The change will provide this additional option to customers.

Second, the Postal Service intends to clarify that, like the “Commercial Base” price category for GXG and EMI, the “Commercial Base” price category for PMI requires electronic transmission of customs-related functions, online at USPS.com, or by using an authorized PC Postage vendor. This requires adding the phrase “that electronically transmits data” and the word “vendor” to the price category description. This proposed change is minor, and renders the “Commercial Base” price category descriptions for GXG, EMI, and PMI parallel in structure as already codified in the International Mail Manual (IMM).

Changes to the IMM that will give effect to the first change described above are scheduled to be published in the *Postal Bulletin* on February 23, 2012, and will become effective on April 1, 2012.

A copy of the updated MCS reflecting the changes described above follows as an Attachment.

Respectfully submitted,

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MAIL CLASSIFICATION CHANGES

(Additions are underlined and deletions are marked with strike-through)

PART B COMPETITIVE PRODUCTS

2000 COMPETITIVE PRODUCT LIST

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2001 COMPETITIVE PRODUCT DESCRIPTIONS

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2300 International Products

2305 Outbound International Expedited Services

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2305.4 Price Categories

The following price categories are available for the product specified in this section:

Global Express Guaranteed

- Retail
 - Price Groups 1-8
- Commercial Base – For selected destination countries, available for customers who prepare and pay for Global Express Guaranteed shipments via permit imprint when used in conjunction with Postal Service-supplied or other approved software, online at USPS.com, or by using an authorized PC Postage vendor. The discount applies only to the postage portion of Global Express Guaranteed prices.
- Commercial Plus – For selected destination countries, available for customers who use specifically authorized postage payment methods and must tender at least \$100,000 per year of any combination of Global Express Guaranteed, Express Mail International, or Priority Mail International items. The discount applies only to the postage portion of Global Express Guaranteed prices.

Express Mail International

- Flat Rate Envelope—Envelope provided or approved by the Postal Service
 - Canada
 - All Other Countries
- Flat Rate Box—Boxes provided or approved by the Postal Service
 - Canada
 - All Other Countries
- Retail
 - Price Groups 1-17
- Commercial Base – For selected destination countries, available for customers who prepare and pay for Express Mail International shipments via permit imprint when used in conjunction with Postal Service-supplied or other approved software that electronically transmits Customs-related functions, online at USPS.com, or by using an authorized PC Postage vendor. The discount applies only to the postage portion of Express Mail International prices.
- Commercial Plus – For selected destination countries, available for customers who use specifically authorized postage payment methods and must tender at least \$100,000 per year of any combination of Express Mail International, Global Express Guaranteed, or Priority Mail International items. The discount applies only to the postage portion of Express Mail International prices.

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Outbound Priority Mail International

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2315.4 Price Categories

The following price categories are available for the product specified in this section:

- Priority Mail International Flat Rate Envelope – Envelope provided or approved by the Postal Service
 - Canada and Mexico
 - All other countries
- Priority Mail International Flat Rate Boxes – Boxes provided or approved by the Postal Service
 - Canada and Mexico
 - All other countries
- Priority Mail International Parcels
Subject to the provisions of the Universal Postal Union Convention, ordinary, uninsured Priority Mail International parcels include indemnity coverage in the postage prices. Indemnity is limited to the lesser of the actual value of the contents or the maximum indemnity based on weight.
 - Price Groups 1-17
- Commercial Base – For selected destination countries, available for customers who prepare and pay for Priority Mail International shipments via permit imprint when used in conjunction with Postal Service-supplied or other approved software ~~and that electronically transmits~~ Customs-related functions, online at USPS.com, or by using an authorized PC Postage vendor. The discount applies only to the postage portion of Priority Mail International prices.
- Commercial Plus – For selected destination countries, available for customers who use specifically authorized postage payment methods and must tender at least \$100,000 per year of any combination of Priority Mail International, Express Mail International, or Global Express Guaranteed items. The discount applies only to the postage portion of Express Mail International prices.

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